



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

COPY MAILED

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY
909 RIVER ROAD
PISCATAWAY, NJ 08855

MAR 25 2009

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of :
Nebojsa Milanovich, et al. :
Application No. 10/811,724 :
Filed: March 29, 2004 :
Attorney Docket No. 7095-00 :
ON PETITION

This is a decision on the renewed petition, filed January 15, 2009, to revive the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed, May 18, 2007, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on August 19, 2007. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on February 19, 2008. On February 25, 2008 a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was filed; however, the petition was dismissed by a decision mailed December 24, 2008. In response, on January 15, 2009, the present petition was filed.

The petition satisfies the conditions for revival pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an amendment; (2) the petition fee of \$1,540¹; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay.

The application is being referred to Technology Center AU 3732 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the response received January 15, 2009.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. Inquiries relating to further prosecution should be directed to the Technology Center.

Sherry D. Brinkley
Sherry D. Brinkley
Petitions Examiner
Office of Petitions

¹ It is noted that petitioner submitted a \$1620 petition fee with the present petition. Since there is no further petition fee due on a renewed petition, the \$1,620 petition fee is being refunded to Counsel's deposit account.